

2018 PLANTER TRAINING



PlantLB and The Gospel Ventures Network partners together to utilize Multiply Training for training leaders in the “nuts and bolts” of establishing a new church. This training has been designed and revised with church planters from Long Beach in mind. The training was originally developed by Mac Lake of the Multiply Group, and revised in 2016 by a three-person team, including John Alwood, Director of PlantLB, and founding leader of Gospel Ventures Network. In revising this material, we took into account not only our unique context, but also the many different models of planting one might utilize.

Multiply Training is uniquely designed to meet the urgent need for churches that will reach the ever-growing population with the gospel of Jesus Christ. The sobering reality of church planting is that many churches don't make it past the first few years. With such high turnover, drop out, and burnout rates among church planters today, we need planters who are well equipped to execute God's call on their lives.

Our passion behind Multiply Training is to develop strong, healthy leaders. We've developed a unique approach to training planters using 12 Leadership Competencies. The developmental process should be highly relational; that's why we utilize a coaching and mentoring approach at the heart of our process. We believe that the best way to equip new leaders is to surround them with a network of experienced support. Thank you for sharing your church planting experience with each Cohort, and thank you for channeling your love for church planters into this worthwhile endeavor.

Why Multiply Training Works

There are three key challenges facing every potential church planter. This unique training is designed to meet each one:

1. Isolation

Church planting can be a lonely journey. Many planters dive into the challenge and quickly find themselves discouraged and alone. As a trained Church Planting Facilitator, you will be a helpful coach along the way as the planters gain the skills needed to succeed. In addition, the planters will benefit from the close fellowship among the small group of other planters (Cohort) who are also at the beginning of their journey. While sharing what they're learning and processing their assignments together, you will be helping them build a bond that will encourage them during the challenging months and years ahead.

2. Inadequate Training

Multiply Training is committed to developing leaders through an intentional and relational process. Too many planters place all of their attention on methodology, while neglecting the practical skills and wisdom of solid leadership. Throughout the training process you will help them process assignments geared toward helping them learn and reinforce 12 Leadership Competencies.

3. Impotent Churches

Only 4% of American churches are “reproducing churches.” God has not called us to build empires unto ourselves, hoarding resources and experience. Christ commissioned His followers to go into all the world, making disciples...” Imagine if only 4% of the families in America were reproducing! This is the spiritual crisis we are facing. Multiply Training synergizes the efforts and resources of Kingdom-minded churches to maximize ongoing impact.

How Multiply Training Works

Each Multiply Training session is designed to unpack and process 1 of 12 Leadership Competencies (There is also an extra session on governance which is required for RCA planters). When we first developed this curriculum, a team of people interviewed successful church planters and asked: “Aside from the grace and power of God, what is it about you as a leader that contributed to your church plant being healthy and thriving?” After three months of interviewing dozens of church planters, we identified a pattern that marked the birth of the 12 Leadership Competencies. We then organized the competencies in sequential order to match the church-planting journey.

What's the cost and how do I sign up?

The total cost of training is \$650, but there are several 50% scholarships for which you can apply. Please talk to John Alwood to see if you qualify for a scholarship.

2018 Multiply Training SCHEDULE

Time: **Morning Cohort - 8a-12:30p Evening Cohort - 5-9p**

Location: **Generations Church Offices - 3962 Cerritos Ave., Los Alamitos, CA 90720**

Dates	Topic	Church Planting Competency	Outcome	Please submit by end of training
Session 1 Jan 30	Calling & Character	Identify & confirm a passionate sense of calling and master the discipline of leading yourself	Prospectus Outline Get to know your cohort	calling statement (handout)
Session 2 Feb 13	Missional Engagement	Understand the Makeup of your community to develop a missional engagement strategy	Demographic Study Kingdom Concept Missional Engagement Strategy	completed Kingdom Concept
Session 3 Feb 27	Vision	Cast a clear and compelling vision	Vision Frame Rough Draft Mission Statement	completed Vision Frame, including Vision proper
Session 4 Mar 13	Bold Faith	Lead with a bold faith that takes prayerful risks	Faith Goals Established Prayer Partners Recruited Prayer Communication Template	Begin sending monthly prayer newsletter
Session 5 Mar 27	Values	Evaluate your values and integrate them into the DNA of your church	Core Values Doctrinal Statement	Doctrinal Statement
Session 6 Apr 10	Funding	Effectively raise and manage money toward sustainability	Budget Projector Snapshot Fundraising Timeline Master List of Potential Donors	3 year church budget plan 3 year personal budget plan include fundraising timeline
Session 7 Apr 24	Disciple Making	Be intentional about making disciples who make disciples	Define Marks of a Disciple Missional Map	Discipleship Pathway
Session 8 May 8	Systems & Structure	Develop measurable systems and structure to support the vision	Leadership Pipeline defined Organizational Chart Begin implementing key systems	
Session 9 May 22	Team Building	Empower key leaders to execute the vision	Team Prospect list Leadership Team Structure Job Descriptions template Planter biography for prospectus	Full Prospectus
Session 10 June 5	Communication	Communicating for Kingdom Impact	Written Philosophy of Preaching 1st Quarter Preaching Plan	Philosophy of Preaching 1st Quarter Preaching plan
Session 11 June 19	Multiplication	Create a culture of multiplication	Leader development strategy Leadership Competencies & Levels Plan for building multiplication DNA	Leadership Development Pipeline